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Broiler Hatchery



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This report contains the results from the **Weekly Broiler Hatchery Survey**. Thanks to all who responded.

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Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Down 1 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 234 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 23, 2021, down 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 81.0 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Hatcheries in Alabama set 33.3 million eggs during the week ending January 23, 2021, down 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in Georgia set 33.2 million eggs during the same week, down 6 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 189 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 23, 2021, down 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2021 through January 23, 2021 for the United States were 566 million. Cumulative placements were down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Broiler growers in Alabama placed 24.9 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 23, 2021, up 1 percent from a year ago. Placements in Georgia totaled 26.7 million chicks, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2020-2021

State	Week ending						Percent of previous year
	December 19, 2020	December 26, 2020	January 2, 2021	January 9, 2021	January 16, 2021	January 23, 2021	
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	33,476	33,424	33,425	33,144	33,317	33,306	98
Florida	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	103
Georgia	34,925	34,608	34,438	34,414	32,870	33,164	94
South Carolina	5,848	5,879	5,770	5,618	5,914	5,878	105
United States	238,840	236,749	236,850	234,337	235,751	234,032	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, [Broiler Hatchery](#), January 27, 2021

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2020-2021

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	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama	24,306	23,088	24,414	23,720	24,341	24,914	101
Florida	1,332	1,291	1,182	1,297	1,309	1,315	97
Georgia	27,391	25,293	26,993	26,809	26,418	26,673	99
South Carolina	5,402	5,787	4,993	5,403	4,938	5,095	99
United States	190,986	183,069	188,541	189,060	188,129	188,543	99

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Alabama	33,476	33,424	33,425	33,144	33,317	33,306
Arkansas	24,041	24,253	24,178	24,319	24,446	24,405
Delaware	4,762	4,669	4,669	4,669	4,669	4,948
Florida	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209	1,209
Georgia	34,925	34,608	34,438	34,414	32,870	33,164
Kentucky	7,838	7,889	7,693	7,534	8,025	8,003
Louisiana	3,500	3,532	3,532	2,987	3,516	3,516
Maryland	7,622	7,636	7,639	7,637	7,640	7,635
Mississippi	18,020	17,929	17,885	17,222	17,660	17,127
Missouri	9,183	9,198	9,227	9,165	9,149	9,244
North Carolina	24,479	23,668	24,130	23,969	24,330	24,151
Oklahoma	7,153	6,972	7,068	7,058	7,183	7,072
Pennsylvania	6,319	6,293	6,293	6,318	6,293	6,032
South Carolina	5,848	5,879	5,770	5,618	5,914	5,878
Texas	18,317	18,052	18,280	17,728	17,761	17,505
Virginia	6,383	6,415	6,509	6,432	6,505	6,462
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	13,681	13,173	13,085	13,068	13,039	12,985
Other States	12,084	11,950	11,820	11,846	12,225	11,390
United States	238,840	236,749	236,850	234,337	235,751	234,032
Percent of previous year	100	99	100	99	98	99

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Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2020-2021

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Alabama	24,306	23,088	24,414	23,720	24,341	24,914
Arkansas	22,165	22,112	20,607	20,689	22,064	21,812
Delaware	4,527	4,047	5,160	4,616	4,952	4,533
Florida	1,332	1,291	1,182	1,297	1,309	1,315
Georgia	27,391	25,293	26,993	26,809	26,418	26,673
Kentucky	5,987	5,479	6,369	5,710	6,345	5,740
Louisiana	2,920	2,677	2,961	3,125	3,002	3,009
Maryland	5,830	6,493	4,704	5,239	4,489	4,865
Mississippi	14,583	14,762	15,203	15,149	15,129	15,013
Missouri	6,214	5,516	5,921	6,542	6,763	6,479
North Carolina	19,477	19,288	19,735	19,639	19,207	19,592
Oklahoma	3,299	4,096	4,880	4,273	3,206	3,744
Pennsylvania	4,767	4,760	4,771	4,785	4,760	4,729
South Carolina	5,402	5,787	4,993	5,403	4,938	5,095
Texas	15,358	14,083	14,687	14,896	14,680	14,572
Virginia	6,154	4,874	5,757	5,732	6,021	6,377
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,888	10,363	10,620	11,815	11,522	11,302
Other States	9,386	9,060	9,584	9,621	8,983	8,779
United States	190,986	183,069	188,541	189,060	188,129	188,543
Percent of previous year	100	97	99	100	99	99

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